

Amendment After Final Rejection
Serial No. 09/494,670

Docket No. PHF99-507

REMARKS

Claims 1, 5, 7-8, 10-11 and 13-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over "SPIE Proceedings series, 1995" by Ahanger et al. ("Ahanger") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,389,168 to Altunbasak et al. ("Altunbasak").

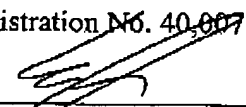
Applicant wishes to thank the examiner for indicating that claims 6, 9, and 12 would be allowable if any one of claims 6, 9, and 12 is rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim 1 and any intervening claims. The examiner further indicates that dependent claims 6, 9, and 12 recite features that fail to anticipate or make obvious the novel features.

In response, claim 1 has been amended to recite features recited in dependent claims 8 and 9. Similarly, claim 22 has been amended to recite the allowable features of claims 8 and 9.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all the present claims are patentable in view of the cited references. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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